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FORAKER'S FLIGHT.

By making public a series of letters from Mr. John D. Archbold, first Vice President and acting head of the Standard Oil Company, to Hon. J. B. Foraker, William R. Hearst has placed the senator from Ohio in a very uncomfortable position. The letters, the authenticity of which Mr. Foraker has admitted, show that the Senator from Ohio was in the employ of the oil trust.

In his card of explanation Senator Foraker states that his connection with the Oil Company was that of an attorney; that his connection as such was well known at the time, and that having rendered services as a legal representative he charged and received pay from the company commensurate with the services rendered. The accusers of Mr. Foraker, on the other hand, point out that in all the litigation of the Oil Company in Ohio, Mr. Foraker's name does not appear as an attorney of record and consequently they conclude that he was a paid lobbyist for the giant combine.

The republican management, to free itself, has repudiated Mr. Foraker and eliminated him from all of its campaign plans—state and national. Whether this action was right can not be clearly decided until Mr. Foraker has spoken authoritatively in his own defense. The mere charges though, and the action of the national organization of his party will in all probability mean the political death of a man who has always been a friend and champion of our race. Thousands of Negroes regret to see the plight Mr. Foraker is in and hope that he will be able to come out of the affair with victorious colors flying.

Tennessee has a republican state executive committee composed of thirty members since the warring factions of the party have come together. One member of the committee is a Negro. Just think of it, twenty-nine to one! One would think judging by the proportion that the committee was elected by a democratic primary.—Nashville Globe.

Maybe it's because the one colored has as much brain as the 29 whites, eh?—The Springfield Forum.

If it were a matter of brains we would be satisfied, but brains do not rule in the councils of the "lily-white office holders' executive committee of Tennessee. Federal "pie" rules and 29 to 1 means that the same old tactics of keeping aspiring colored young men out of the government service will be maintained if Taft is elected.

Judge William Howard Taft showed himself to be every inch a gentleman when he said to those who urged that he take the initiative in calling upon Mr. Foraker to eliminate himself from the republican campaign: "If it would win me every vote in the United States. I can not hit a man when he is down." But how different is the man in the White House! He rejoices! The one enemy he could not frighten even with an undignified attack at the Gridiron dinner, has been placed out of commission, he hopes, by Hearst. Roosevelt has many fine traits but his habit of "striking" men who are down almost places him in the class off the common bully.

The Georgia Legislature, after an extra session that cost the state \$35,000, has passed a bill abolishing the notorious convict lease system which has been in use since 1865. By a compromise bill the lease system will come to an end March 31, 1909. The bill is not all that could be desired for it leaves in the hands of the Governor and the prison commission the power to lease convicts to individuals. Yet it is far in advance of the previous arrangement. By turning the convicts over to the counties for farm and road working purposes they will be protected from the barbarities of the leased camp where they are half-fed and made to work to their utmost whether sick or well.

When Dr. J. G. Merrill was President of Fisk University he made an innovation that we hope will be followed by the new heads of that institution, now that Prof. Alonzo Brown of the Applied Science Department has resigned. We refer to the appointment of colored teachers. In adding more colored members to the faculty, Dr. Merrill was following in the wake of Howard, Walden, and all the leading colleges of the country. We hope no backward steps along this line will be made by the new board of management.

The C. N. Haskell, who is denying so strenuously his connection with the Standard Oil Company, is the same Haskell that urged the passage of the "jim crow" laws of Oklahoma. His passing from political prominence will not be regretted. These slick demagogues, who are willing to advocate anything that will catch the popular side, sooner or later get the harpoon thrown into them. For example, "Ned" Carmack, Hoke Smith, C. N. Haskell.

"Me" and "my policies" must not be overshadowed, nor must "my candidate" get too much of the calcium, consequently "I" will write a few letters expressing "my" views before "my candidate" has opened his speaking campaign. The next thing, having already smashed all precedents of Presidents mixing political contests by his letters, Teddy will take to the stump.

Two out of door public entertainments—the State Fair and the Pythian Gala Week—had fair weather. This seems remarkable when it is remembered how the various "dedications," "egg hunts," "celebrations," "horse shows," etc., have been deluged for the past year. Somebody must have got on intimate terms with J. Pluvius.

Some of the home rulers refuse to become reconciled to the rule of the office-holders committee. Likewise many of the Negro voters will refuse to endorse with their votes the attempt to make the republican party a "lily white" affair.

When Mayor Brown gets through attending the State Fair he might devote a few hours of his time on Saturday to examining the "wine rooms" in connection with the dives and order them removed as a public nuisance.

The report comes from Mississippi that Negroes lynched a member of their race for killing a white man. "And we don't believe that fish story either."

The festive school boy and the dainty school miss are with us again, and Nashville begins to take on her Athenian appearance.

COMMENTS ON GREATER NASHVILLE EDITION.

From a veteran of the newspaper profession:

The recent special edition of The Nashville Globe was a very fine illustrated publication. It showed at a glance the evidences of the race's industrial, business and educational growth in Nashville. The management of the Globe did Negro journalism a credit in the publication of so interesting and excellent edition.—The Pensacola Florida Sentinel.

Commendable in the highest degree: We would do an injustice to journalism in general and to our contemporary, in particular, if we did not say a word congratulatory of the "Greater Nashville Edition of the Nashville, Tenn., Globe," which appeared September 4, with 24 pages of superb reading matter as well as artistic make up, as we have seen from any journal. It is commendable in the highest degree and should be an inspiration to every Negro newspaper.—The Springfield Forum.

Triumph of Journalistic Enterprise: The Greater Nashville Edition of the esteemed Nashville Globe was a very distinct triumph of journalistic enterprise on the part of colored men. The issue was filled with telling illustrations and well written descriptions designed to exhibit the material achievements of Nashville's colored men and women.—The Mound Bayou Demonstrator.

COMMUNICATION.

Replies to Mr. Mayfield.

Editor Nashville Globe:

The card of Attorney Mayfield is most amusing. Some people never know when they have enough, and unless he can satisfy the people that he has some argument, it would be "cruelty to animals" to put him to white heat and force him to again impose on the city's water supply. It was the occasion of his life. He felt it. He imported Slatter down to report the speech. In fact, he thought there would be nothing to do but simply "rebut" the argument. We are not surprised at his calling it a "harangue," and stating that there was nothing in it. A man scarcely knows when a train has run over him; or thought lightning has struck him, or an earthquake has swallowed him. His friends know it—at least when they pay the funeral bill; and the admiring friends of Mr. Mayfield grieved at the "piteous spectacle" of their ideal who was lost in wonderment and were apprehensive that he would finally call out the fire department to quench the heat we created inside his abdominal cavity.

We are engaged in the undertaking business and not politics, and it was to help a charitable cause that we accepted his challenge to debate. The thousand people there have rendered their verdict; the Globe gave in part the substance matter and what we have written is written. If Mr. Mayfield will give his scattering manuscript to The Globe just as he had it, we will give our original manuscript also, and the public can pass on the merits of the arguments. The Globe, however, to collect the full cost from each, and appoint competent judges to pass on the argument, letting the losing man pay cost.

It must be fun for Mr. Mayfield to be a dollbaby and have balls thrown at him.

It is always best to overestimate your opponent. We certainly did in the case of our esteemed attorney, and object to furnishing the whole show when my associate gets equal billing. What Mr. Mayfield needs is a set of credentials and some sort of recommendation before he can be a drawing card. But he is a jolly good fellow; like Banquo's ghost, he "will not down." But seriously, if the democrats mean to send out samples of Negro proselytes, couldn't they put their hands on a better debater than our esteemed attorney?

Yours truly,
A. N. JOHNSON.

VISITORS IN NASHVILLE.

Four carloads of visitors stopped over in this city Monday and Tuesday en route from the National Baptist Convention, which has just closed its session at Lexington, Ky. These visitors were principally from the Southern States. There were two special Pullman cars from Texas. These two delegations were in charge of prominent Texas ministers. They came around from Southeast, Southwest and Central Texas, via New Orleans over the Louisville & Nashville. They were returning by the same route. The others were from Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana. Their object in stopping over in Nashville was principally to see the National Baptist Publishing House.

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THE SERVICES OF DR. C. H. CLARK IN GREAT DEMAND.

In a conversation with a special party that arrived from the recent sessions of the National Baptist Convention, a Globe reporter learned some facts concerning this great body. It is known that Nashville plays quite a part in these annual deliberations, especially being represented in the management of the various boards. Rev. Dr. Clark, pastor of Mt. Olive Baptist Church, who is chairman of the National Baptist Publishing Board and who has been an active worker in the National ranks for many years, was unanimously re-elected at the sessions recently held in Lexington. It was learned by a Globe reporter that Dr. Clark was approached by several special committees from different churches with propositions touching upon his accepting the pastorate of their congregations. Among these was the Second Baptist Church at Indianapolis, Ind. The church at Indianapolis is without a pastor. It is the leading church of the city, but owing to some dissatisfaction among the officers and members, the church doors have been closed. The Indianapolis people regard Dr. Clark as being equal to any minister in the denomination. They have urged him to accept the call.

The next committee was from the First African Baptist Church of Savannah, Ga. The people who make up this congregation have been ardent admirers of Dr. Clark since before he accepted the pastorate of Mt. Olive. Two years ago he conducted a revival for them and he had hardly returned to the city before he received a call which he did not consider. Now that they are without a pastor, they sent a special committee all the way to Lexington again urging him to consider their proposition.

This church is the oldest organized Negro Baptist church in America. It has a membership of five thousand. It has been organized and operated by Negroes for 121 years. They offer

the pastor a magnificent salary, a two-story parsonage and a special appropriation for incidental expenses.

A Globe reporter has tried to get from Dr. Clark some intimation as to what he will do. He simply stated that he had not decided, but that he gave audience to both committees. It is known in Nashville that Mt. Olive is a large church carrying a large congregation, and that it has been built up by this minister. Other cities have seen his qualities and have admired them, and it seems that they are still asking with a hope of receiving his services.

DELIGHTFUL AFFAIR.

The North Nashville Musical Club entertained last Monday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Rix, 206 Twelfth avenue, North. Dancing and games were the amusements. Mr. Will Robertson and Miss Maggie Lewis furnished music for the occasion. Those present were Messrs. Levi Bradley, White, Louis Lester, Frank Luckett, John Cunningham, I. Walker, Harry Watkins, Clarence Word, J. P. Whitlow, Sneed, Albert Scruggs, James Clark, Thomas Moore, Mack Ross, George Harris, Misses Florence Burns, Blanche Whitlow, Hattie Woodley, Minnie May Smith, Helen Whitlow, Eva Moore, Addie Luckett, Johnnie Ina Luckett, Alberta Lightfoot and Mrs. E. Rix.

MARRIAGES.

Frank Fisher and Doris Milligan. Josh Peebles and Sadie Brown. Clement Arceneaux and Daisy Boyd. John Knight and Mattie Williams. Richard Murphy and Maggie Rothrock.

Stephen Burrell and Narcis Asberry. Harry Hall and Mary Davis. Ned Kimlerd and Emma Allen. John H. Gooch and Anna E. Cornor.

Prince W. Morrow and Harriett V. McGlanthin.

John Caruthers and Irene Armstrong. Robert Patterson and Lucy Hyde.